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Sir:

Responsive to the Final Office Action mailed April 16, 2007, please amend the above-identified patent application as follows:

**IN THE ABSTRACT**

Replace the abstract with the new abstract (attached)